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(54) Two-Side Imageable Photothermographic Paper

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ABETRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Two-side coated paper dry silver photothermo5 graphic imaging elements suffer from bubbling on the second coated side. The use of polyvinylacetate as part of the binding media for the second coated emulsion has been found to reduce the problem.

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The embodiments of the invention in which an exclusive property or privilege is claimed are defined as follows:

- A two-side imagesble photothermographic element comprising;
 - a) a paper substrate, and
 - b) on each side of said paper substrate at least one layer of a photothermographic imaging system which comprises binder, light-sensitive silver halide, a light-insensitive silver source material, and a reducing agent for silver ion.

at least one of said at least one layer of said photothermographic imaging system having an imaging layer the total solids of which comprises more than 21 by weight of polyvinyl acetate.

- 2. The element of claim 1 wherein said polywinyl accetate is present as a polymer having at least 50% by weight of its units derived from vinyl accetate.
 - The element of claim 1 wherein said polyvinyl acetate is present as a homopolymer of polyvinyl acctate.
- 4. The element of claim 1 wherein said imaging layer comprises at least 2.5% by weight of polyvinyl acetate.
- 5. The element of claim 1 wherein said imaging layer comprises at least 3% by weight of polyvinyl acetate.
 - The element of claim I wherein said imaging layer comprises at least 5% but less than 50% by weight of polyvinyl acetate.
- 7. The element of claim 2 wherein sold imaging layer comprises at least 2.5% by weight of polyviny1 acetate.